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Case No. 8285-430

In re Application of:

Gruchala et al.

Serial No: 09/844,716

Filed: April 25, 2001

For: Method and System for Providing a
Work-at-Home Telecommunication
Service

Examiner: B. Bui

Group Art Unit: 2642

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)

**Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.

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Applicant is:

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a small entity, verified statement is:

- ☐ attached
☐ already filed
☒ other than small entity

☒ The fee set forth in § 1.17(e) must be filed along with this request:

- ☒ Attached is a check for the § 1.17(e) fee.
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☒ A submission must be filed along with this request. The following submission(s) is(are) filed herewith:

- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
☒ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in Support of Patentability
☐ Other: _____


☒ A petition and fee for an extension of the time is enclosed herewith.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the additional claims fee is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 8, 2004



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Title of Invention Method and System for Providing a Work-at-Home Telecommunication Service		

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Request for Continued Examination (in duplicate); Amendment; and Postcard Receipt.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ Petition for a 1 month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
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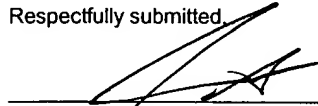
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					Small Entity		or	Other Than Small Entity	
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- ☒ Checks in the amounts of \$770 and \$110 are enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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